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Competition of the Hawthorne Army Depot

The Joint Munitions Command has begun steps toward its periodic competition for the operation and maintenance of the Hawthorne Army Depot, Nevada, by a commercial company. The Army is currently requesting commercial input on the acquisition strategy. We expect to issue the solicitation this year and announce the winner by August 2009. After allowing a transition period, if necessary, the selected contractor will begin operating the depot on Jan. 1, 2010. We anticipate having a five-year contract with a possible non-competitive five-year renewal.

The Joint Munitions Command currently has a contract with Day and Zimmermann Hawthorne Corporation to operate and maintain the facility. DZHC has held the contract since Jan. 1, 2000.

There will be two contracts: The facilities use contract is one in which the contractor provides the Army with building maintenance, security, environmental and other installation functions at no cost to the government, while allowing the contractor exclusive use of the facilities to provide products and services. A companion contract for specified services, such as conventional ammunition demilitarization and ammunition distribution, will be fixed price. The contracts will be awarded together to a single bidder following the Army's best value evaluation of offers through a full and open solicitation.

The Army will make a formal announcement of the selected contractor once the final decision is made.

Details on the acquisition are at <http://www.aschq.army.mil/ac/aais/ioc/Hawthorne/Hawthorne.aspx>. This site will be updated throughout this process.

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